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COUNTRY Soviet zone of Germany REPORT NO. [REDACTED]

TOPIC 1. Occupation of STRAUSBERG

2. Airfield of STRAUSBERG 25X1A

EVALUATION 25X1X PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED]

DATE OF CONTENT See below 25X1A

DATE OBTAINED [REDACTED] DATE PREPARED 4 October 1949

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2. Aircraft parts such as rudder assemblies, dive brakes, landing gears, cabin roofs, engine cowlings, five large tanks, one Pe-2 fuselage and equipment were being detrained at the STRAUSBERG railroad branch line station. Some of the rudder assemblies were marked with yellow figures, others with white. The engine cowlings were painted blue **.

3. Three gasoline tanks, each 40 to 50 feet long, were being installed at the field ***.

4 to 9 July 1949

4. Fifty twin-engine Pe-2s with blue propeller hubs and dive brakes were parked at the field. There was no flying. ****

5. The field was being graded and expanded in the directions of STRAUSBERG and KLOSTERBORN (N 53/V 26). No indications on the construction of a concrete strip were observed. All trees along the highway to PROBSTZEL had been cut. There were no lighting facilities.

6 July 1949

6. Food for the air unit was being unloaded from four railroad cars at the STRAUSBERG railroad station and hauled away by

25X1C truck

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11 July 1949

7. It was learned that the headquarters of the air unit was housed in a building on Wriezener Strasse, opposite the

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school for Soviet female interpreters. At Col LASHENKO was the CO of this Headquarters***** the truck 25X1C

25X1C [redacted] of German make, which carried furniture for members of the unit, was unloaded in front of the mentioned building. According to its numbers this German truck was not stationed in Sanktoburg but in the old location of the unit.

8. Grading work at the airfield was still being done. A new dump covered with tarpaulins was at the northeastern edge of the airfield.

9. 13 July 1949

Five railroad tank cars standing at the HEGERMULLE railroad branch line station were emptied into the five tank

25X1C [redacted]

10. 5 August 1949

Three trucks, each towing a covered searchlight, passed through SANKTOBURG about 9 p.m. proceeding towards the airfield.

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** The reported equipment was presumably destined for the air force depot.

*** The installation of gasoline tanks at the western edge of the airfield was previously reported by another source .xxx

**** The statements on the occupation of the airfield by aircraft agree with previous observations and confirm the assumed bomber regiment to be stationed there.

***** The assignment of the [REDACTED] is not known. This number was observed in STRASBURG in June 1949 .xxx

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***** Lt Col MACHIE is not listed in the files which are available . He probably is the CO of the bomber regiment stationed at the STRASBURG airfield.

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(x) The motor vehicle [REDACTED] again indicate that the bomber regiment now stationed in STRASBURG was previously stationed in ORANIEBURG.

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